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SUBJECT: CUBA POST-QUITO

1. AT LUNCHEON TODAY WHICH I GAVE FOR PRESIDENT OF VENEZUELAN CONGRESS GONZALO BARRIOS, I WAS TOLD BY A NUMBER OF HIS AD SUPPORTERS THAT PRESIDENT CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ IS IN NO REPEAT NO HASTE TO RECOGNIZE CUBA. IN FACT--PROBABLY BECAUSE OF EMBARRASSMENT OVER THE REJECTION OF THE VENEZUELAN-COLOMBIAN-COSTA RICAN INITIATIVE AT QUITO--IT WAS FELT THAT PEREZ WOULD STAY DISCREETLY IN THE BACKGROUND. IN FACT, EUGENIO SOLER, WHO IS ONE OF HIS DIPLOMATIC ADVISERS AND A FORMER CUBAN AMBASSADOR TO INDIA, SAID HE THOUGHT THAT VENEZUELAN POLICY WOULD BE TO DO NOTHING UNTIL THE NEXT OAS MEETING OF MINISTERS IN APRIL AND THEN ABIDE BY WHATEVER DECISIONS MIGHT EMERGE AT THAT TIME. IN FACT, SOLER, WHO IS NOW A NATURALIZED VENEZUELAN CITIZEN, AND IS CLEARLY ANTI-CASTRO, SAID HE THOUGHT THE QUITO MEETING HAD WORKED OUT WELL. ON THE ONE HAND CASTRO HAD DONE NOTHING AT ALL TO ENCOURAGE SUPPORT FOR THOSE WHO WANTED TO END THE EMBARGO; AND OF THE LATIN AMERICAN STATESWHO VOTED TO REGAIN FREEDOM OF ACTION, THEY HAD IN HIS VIEW BEEN DISCREDITED.

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